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March 23, 2006

Mr. Rahe Junge Umetco Minerals Corporation 2754 Compass Drive Suite 280 Grand Junction, Colorado 81506

Subject: Request for Filing of Board Agency Action for Deremo-Peterson Mine

Site and Wilson-Silverbell, (M/037/025) & (M/037/027), San Juan County,

Utah

Dear Mr. Junge:

On March 1, 2006, the Division received a letter requesting the release of the Mined Lands Reclamation Contract executed on January 24, 1985. In order to proceed with this request, a Request for Agency Action must be filed with the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. The enclosed "State of Utah R641-102-100—Board Procedural Rules" (BPR) outlines the procedure required for this action. As an overview, this letter contains basic information to assist you in this action initiation as outlined below:

- Per R641-102-200 'Attorneys' of the BPR, Umetco Minerals Corporation must have representation by an attorney;
- Per R641-104-100 'Pleadings Enumerated', outlines the specific requirements for a Request for Agency Action;
- Per R641-104-200 'Form', identifies the form and format for the filing;
- Per R641-105-100 'Requests for Agency Action (Petitions)', provides filing dates for the Request for Agency Action, motions, affidavits, briefs, or memoranda;
- Per R641-105-200 through R641-105-800, provides information regarding deadlines relating to Responses, Motions, Exhibits. Place of filing is provided in addition to Rulings and Computation of Time allowed by the rules.

The document, "State of Utah, Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, Hearing Schedule for Year 2006" is enclosed to identify the Requests for Agency Action deadline dates for each month in 2006. The associated hearing date is included in the respective row. As mentioned in a previous letter dated December 6, 2005, the Division agrees with the initiative to request release of the board contracts. If there

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are updates regarding the 2.2 well or further information that must be submitted, please contact Mr. Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

If you require additional information about the Request for Agency Action procedure, please contact Beth Ericksen, 801-538-5318 or myself at 801-538-5258.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: State of Utah, Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining, Hearing Schedule for Year 2006, State of Utah Board Procedural Rules

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